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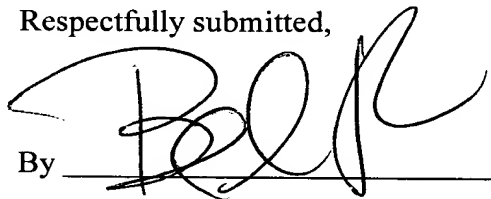
Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Final Office Action dated September 22, 2005, concerning the above-referenced patent application. According to the Examiner's telephone instructions of September 16, 2005, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the Supplemental Amendment and Reply submitted on September 15, 2005. In that Supplemental response, Applicants amended the figures and submitted a Sequence Listing as requested by the Examiner during the telephone conversation of August 30, 2005. A copy of the September 15, 2005 Amendment and Reply, and copy of the date-stamped Patent and Trademark Office Postcard is enclosed.

Applicants believe that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicants hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

By 

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